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E.O. 11652:GDS

TAGS: OVIP (FAHD BIN ABD AL-AZIZ) PFOR, SA, US

SUBJECT:PRINCE FAHD VISIT AND PENDING ANTI-BOYCOTT
LEGISLATION

REF: JIDDA 3437;

1. YOU SHOULD INFORM SAG IMMEDIATELY THAT AT THE FOREIGN
MINISTER'S REQUEST, THE ADMINISTRATION ASKED AND RECEIVED
ASSURANCES OF CONGRESSIONAL LEADERSHIP THAT VOTES ON ANTI-
BOYCOTT LEGISLATION WILL BE DEFERRED UNTIL NEXT MONTH.
ON THIS ASSURANCE WHITE HOUSE INTENDS TO MAKE PUBLIC
ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISIT MAY 14 AND ASSUMES SAG WILL ALSO
MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT ON THAT DATE.

2. YOU MAY DRAW ON THE FOLLOWING AS APPROPRIATE IN EX-
PLAINING CONGRESSIONAL SCHEDULE TO SAG:

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HOUSE/SENATE CONFERENCE ON THE EXPORT ADMINISTRATION ACT
CONTAINING THE ANTI-BOYCOTT PROVISIONS WILL BE HE'D
MAY 16. THIS WILL BE PUBLIC SESSION WHICH MAY YENERATE
PRESS COVERAGE. WE EXPECT HOUSE CONFEREES TO ACCEPT
SENATE BOYCOTT LANGUAGE WHICH IS LESS DISRUPTIVE OF U.S.-
ARAB BUSINESS. IF SO, THE REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE
ACTION SHOULD BE FILED (PUBLISHED) MAY 17 OR MAY 18. UNDER

CONGRESSIONAL PROCEDURES, THE SENATE MUST ACT FIRST ON THIS CONFERENCE REPORT. AT REQUEST OF WHITE HOUSE, SENATE LEADERSHIP HAS AGREED TO DEFER FLOOR ACTION ON THE REPORT UNTIL IT RETURNS FROM MEMORIAL DAY RECESS ON JUNE 6. HOUSE FLOOR ACTION WOULD FOLLOW SHORTLY THEREAFTER, AND THE SIGNING CEREMONY IS NOT LIKELY TO BE SCHEDULED UNTIL MID-JUNE. FYI: WE CAN NEVER PREDICT CONGRESSIONAL ACTION WITH COMPLETE CERTAINTY; IF SCHEDULE FOR THE CONFERENCE OR PUBLICATION OF REPORT SHOULD SHIFT, WE WILL SEEK TO DEFER THOSE ACTIONS UNTIL AFTER JUNE 6. CHRISTOPHER

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